IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Applicant : Lawrence V. Tannenbaum

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For: METHOD FOR FIELD-BASED ECOLOGICAL RISK

ASSESSMENT USING RODENT SPERM ANALYSIS

ELECTION IN RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Election of Species Requirement dated October 2, 2008, Applicant hereby elects the species of "mice" recited in Claim 26.

Applicant respectfully notes that upon allowance of a generic claim, claims drawn to a reasonable number of species other than the elected species will be allowable (MPEP 806.04). Currently, Claims 7-12, 14-25, and 27-29 are generic and encompass the elected species.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone

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interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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